

## 2020-2021 Academic Year Internship Opportunities

Project: Justice and Gender-Based Violence Research Initiative,  
Victimization and the Criminal Justice System

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### Internship Description:

Justice system and community response to sexual assault victimization will be the focus of the student intern's work as the Justice and Gender-Based Violence Research Initiative at the Wellesley Centers for Women continues disseminating findings from several large research projects on sexual violence. This includes work on the police response to reports of sexual assault, sexual assault on college campuses, and prosecutorial decision-making. How society, the justice system, researchers, and the victims themselves frame accounts of victimization is the focus of work this year.

### Internship Responsibilities:

The student intern will assist in all aspects of the work of the Justice and Gender-Based Violence Research Initiative including data analysis, report writing, and preparation of recommendations for policy and practice changes related to gender-based violence.

### Skills Required:

The student should have an understanding of principles of research in the social sciences, strong organization and writing skills, willingness to pay attention to detail, and an interest in learning about multi-method research and policy analysis. Students should be comfortable learning more about the topic of sexual violence and a desire to contribute to evidence-based research designed to improve response to rape and sexual assault. Prior research experience is a plus.